

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1088 - SB 1179

March 13, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Removes the prohibition of operating a needle and hypodermic syringe exchange program within 1,000 feet of a public park located within certain counties or municipalities.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004797): Deletes and replaces language of the original bill such that the only substantive change is to repeal the act on December 31, 2023 and replace the act with the original statute.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation will authorize a needle and hypodermic syringe exchange program within 1,000 feet of any public park in Davidson County and the municipalities of Chattanooga, Knoxville, and Memphis.
- To operate a needle and hypodermic syringe exchange program, an organization is required to submit an application to the Tennessee Syringe Services Program (SSP). There is no fee associated with the application.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Health (DOH), all existing SSPs are operated by not-for-profit community-based organizations, funded through federal grants and privately raised funds.
- Any expenditures associated with a new SSP are assumed to be borne by the organization operating it; therefore, no significant impact on state or local government.
- Repealing the act to the original state law will not have a significant fiscal impact on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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